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Commissioner Lubbers' statement on funding reduction for state's colleges

Indiana Higher Education Commissioner Teresa Lubbers released the following statement in response to Governor Pence's announcement today that a 2 percent reserve would be held on state operating and line-item appropriations to Indiana's public colleges and universities, in response to lower-than-anticipated state revenues:

"Today's news about state revenue collections has impacted the level of funding available for our colleges and universities. At a time when higher education has never been more important for Hoosiers and our economy, we are hopeful that the state's revenue collections will improve, and we remain committed to working with the Governor, the General Assembly and our university presidents to sustain Indiana's momentum to increase college completion and student success."